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**MAIL STOP NON-FEE AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20031

Re: Applicants: Ke-Wen DONG, et al.  
Serial No.: 09/252,828  
Filed: 19 February 1999  
Entitled: *RECOMBINANT BIOLOGICALLY ACTIVE HUMAN  
ZONA PELLUCIDA PROTEIN 3(HZP3) TO TEST MALE  
FERTILITY*  
Our Ref: 113019-179 US1

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith for appropriate action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office are the following documents:

1. Transmittal Letter;
2. Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 121; and
3. Postcard evidencing the same.

Applicants believe that no fees are due; however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any other fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 08-0219 to maintain the pendency of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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